

BEFORE
THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION OF
SOUTH CAROLINA
DOCKET NO. 95-160-G - ORDER NO. 95-1630
OCTOBER 26, 1995

IN RE: Annual Review of Purchased Gas)	ORDER
Recovery Procedures and Gas Purchasing)	GRANTING
Policies of Piedmont Natural Gas)	REQUEST
Company.)	
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This matter comes before the Public Service Commission of South Carolina (the Commission) on the October 19, 1995 letter of Piedmont Natural Gas Company (Piedmont or the Company) requesting that the Commission extend the time for filing of the revised gas costs recovery mechanism required by the Commission's Order of August 22, 1995 to November 15, 1995. Piedmont's letter states that a hearing was held in Piedmont's general rate case on October 9th and 10th, and briefs and/or proposed Orders are due on October 25th. According to Piedmont, due to the time required for the preparation of the general rate case, the Company was pressed to meet a number of important deadlines. Also, Piedmont states that it would like to take this opportunity to update its gas costs recovery mechanism to reflect changes in the industry since the last major revision. Piedmont states its belief that it would be less disruptive to make the language changes required by the Commission's Order and the update changes at the same time. Piedmont further states that the granting of the requested

extension will not delay implementation of the changes approved by the Commission.

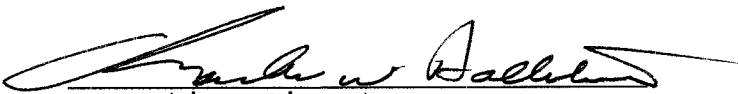
The Commission has examined this matter, and believes that the request of the Company should be granted. Therefore, the filing of the revised gas cost recovery mechanism required by the Commission's Order of August 22, 1995 be extended to include on or before November 15, 1995.

This Order shall remain in full force and effect until further Order of the Commission.

BY ORDER OF THE COMMISSION:


Chairman

ATTEST:


Executive Director

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